

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants:	HANYU, Naoto; KOBAYASHI, Koji; TAJIMA, Masahiro; ISHINO, Akihiro	)	
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Serial No.:	To be assigned	)	TC/A.U.: To be assigned
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Title:	PHENYLACETONITRILE DERIVATIVE, HAIR GROWTH PROMOTING COMPOSITION AND SKIN EXTERNAL PREPARATION USING THE SAME	)	Customer No.:
		)	*23639*
		)	PATENT TRADEMARK OFFICE
		)	
Docket No.:	IW7040532001	)	
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Honorable Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Applicants request entry of the following amendments prior to the examination of the subject application:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.

No fee is believed to be due for this amendment. Should any additional fee be required, please charge the same to deposit account number 50-2518 and notify the Applicants' attorney.